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SUBJECT 1. Munitions Factory at Stalino
2. V-Weapon Production
3. Destination of Material

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SUPPLEMENT

ATTACHMENT: 1 Sketch

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1. A munitions factory which has branches in Voroshilovgrad and Nikolaev is situated on the western edge of Stalino (47°55'N, 37°45'E). It produces the following, but the volume of production is not known:

Revolvers
Submachine guns, 72 rounds
German assault carbines, 32 or 36 rounds
German heavy machine guns, model 1942
Corresponding ammunition

There is also a center for research on or construction of V-weapons at this factory.

2. The director of the factory is general. The factory operates on two 12-hour shifts of 1,500 workers each, fifty percent of whom are women. No PWs are employed in manufacturing. The workers are all from Stalino. The bread ration of those who do not meet their production quota is reduced from 600 to 300 grams per day.
3. The factory, a former tank factory, consists of four pre-war buildings and two buildings (Nos. 1 and 2) which were constructed by German PWs toward the end of 1944. One stone building, 300 X 80 meters, serves as a shipping depot and has six tracks along the loading platforms. A turn-table permits transfer of rolling stock from one track to another. Inside the factory grounds is a network of 60 cm-wide tracks. Two branch lines connect the factory with external rail lines.
4. All machinery in the factory runs on electricity, which is supplied by a station in Stalino.
5. The factory is camouflaged with gray paint. The entire factory grounds are surrounded by a barbed wire fence two meters high. Around the enclosure and about 150 meters from the fence is a ditch, 1.5 meters wide and filled with water. This ditch is fed by a canal leading from a lignite mine situated 15 kms. east of the factory. Between the ditch and the fence is a road for the motor vehicles which transport the patrols. A Russian police post inspects the papers of persons who enter the factory.
6. Attached is a sketch of the factory grounds.

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Buildings No. 1 and 2:

These buildings are specially enclosed with barbed wire and are strictly guarded. PWs are never allowed to enter the enclosures. In November 1946, a big explosion occurred here, causing considerable damage and a number of deaths. A commission from Moscow came to investigate it. PWs used in the unpacking of cases which came from Germany saw V-weapon rudders (Flossenteile) and were able to read the word "Nordhausen" as the name of the expediting station.

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Loading depot.

Building No. 4:

1st floor: Shop for mounting front and rear sights on guns.

2nd floor: Unknown

3rd floor: Measuring apparatus

Building No. 5:

1st floor: Manufacture of cartridges

2nd floor: Manufacture of cartridge cases

3rd floor: Milling machine section

Building No. 6:

1st floor: Manufacture of machine gun mounts

2nd floor: Manufacture of butts and rifles (sic; muzzles?)

3rd floor: Unknown

Building No. 7:

Three-story building containing lathes for turning guns.

7. Besides the cases from Nordhausen mentioned above, other cases arrived from Germany, containing lathes and motors from Maybach.
8. Daily loading of products from the factory amounts to six railroad cars of 20 or 40 tons of arms and ammunition. Each week two trains of 20 to 30 cars leave the factory for Warsaw and the distribution centers of Minsk and Gmelinka (sic; reported to be in the Ukraine).
9. Also situated in Stalino are several foundries and two tank factories.

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